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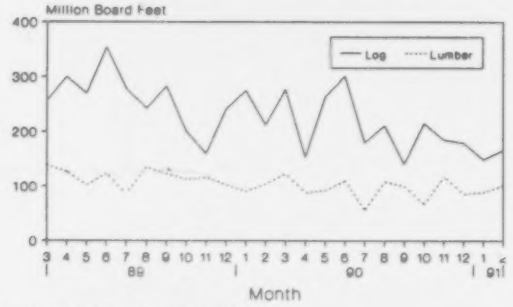
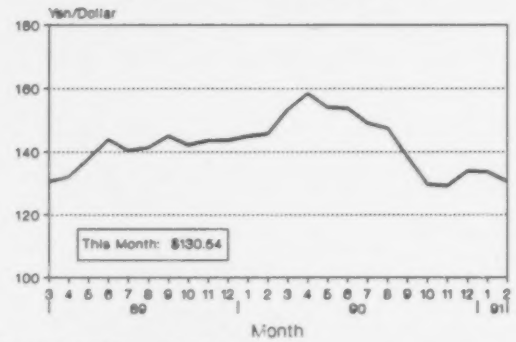
A Fact Sheet on U.S. Wood Product Exports to the Pacific Rim *Issued: May 1991*

Exports to Japan
Softwood Logs & Lumber



Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, FAS

Japanese Yen/U.S. Dollar



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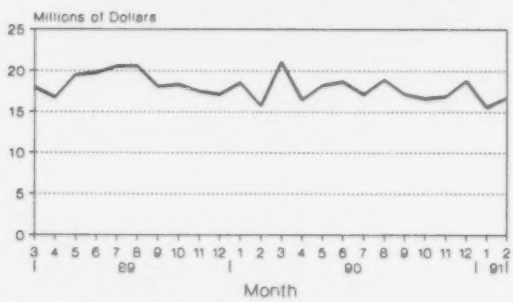
Value of Hardwood Lumber Exports to the Pacific Rim



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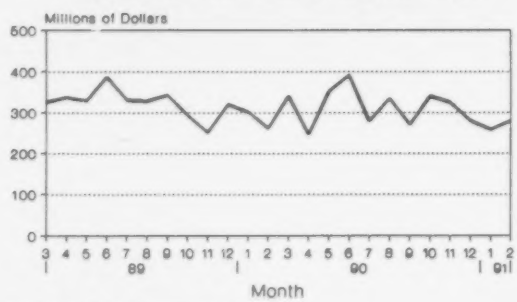
Value of All Wood Products Exports to the Pacific Rim



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Total U.S. Exports to the Pacific Rim ($000)

Country Markets	Feb.	% Change Month	YTD	% Change YTD	Product Groups	Feb.	% Change Month	YTD	% Change YTD
Japan	223,481	15.5	416,997	(10.6)	Softwood Logs	133,291	6.0	259,047	(15.6)
China	10,987	(13.3)	23,666	66.5	Softwood Lumber	52,686	4.8	102,935	2.3
Korea	26,753	10.1	51,061	31.9	Hardwood Logs	8,941	10.8	17,009	11.2
Taiwan	11,965	(4.9)	24,543	14.3	Hardwood Lumber	16,716	7.3	32,296	(5.7)
Australia	4,451	(66.6)	17,773	(6.6)	Hardwood Veneer	2,466	(7.0)	5,117	(1.0)
Hong Kong	1,309	20.6	2,394	(11.7)	Particleboard	2,617	16.7	4,859	41.7
Singapore	1,146	20.0	2,102	(12.0)	Other	63,374	17.6	117,273	18.3
TOTAL	$280,092	8.4	$538,536	(4.7)	TOTAL	$280,092	8.4	$538,536	(4.7)

Notes: (1) Sources are USDA Foreign Agriculture Service & Dept. of Commerce unless noted otherwise.
(2) Percent changes from/to zero (or minimum) values are noted by *.
(3) Because of new HS classifications, certain year-to-year changes are not meaningful and, thus, are noted with an NA.

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U.S. Exports To:

		VOLUME				VALUE-$000			
		Feb.	% Change Month	YTD	% Change YTD	Feb.	% Change Month	YTD	% Change YTD
	Softwood Logs - MBF	165,943	11.4	314,896	(35.4)	104,158	11.5	197,607	(25.7)
J	Softwood Lumber - MBF	102,704	14.9	192,055	(1.9)	47,765	26.5	85,523	4.3
A	Hardwood Logs - MBF	3,872	18.0	7,151	2.2	5,824	21.6	10,615	7.2
P	Hardwood Lumber - MBF	9,172	15.5	17,114	(19.0)	10,355	7.9	19,948	(15.4)
A	Hardwood Veneer (MSF 1/8)	8,452	(24.2)	19,596	35.1	1,038	(25.7)	2,434	46.5
N	Particleboard (MSF 3/4)	793	(50.7)	2,401	(34.7)	378	51.2	628	(12.0)
	Other					53,963	16.6	100,242	21.4
	Subtotal					223,481	15.5	416,997	(10.6)
	Softwood Logs - MBF	40,010	0.6	79,772	35.1	17,549	5.3	34,219	35.5
K	Softwood Lumber - MBF	3,142	583.4	3,602	208.6	1,411	261.8	1,802	159.3
O	Hardwood Logs - MBF	1,570	(42.9)	4,320	95.9	1,474	(11.6)	3,141	40.5
R	Hardwood Lumber - MBF	1,307	(6.7)	2,708	30.3	1,214	(24.1)	2,813	59.4
E	Hardwood Veneer (MSF 1/8)	2,762	19.3	5,077	(59.8)	496	73.4	782	(51.0)
A	Particleboard (MSF 3/4)	4,409	6.6	8,546	100.6	1,423	(0.6)	2,855	136.0
	Other					3,186	40.8	5,449	(8.7)
	Subtotal					26,753	10.1	51,061	31.9
	Softwood Logs - MBF	21,692	(22.6)	49,721	61.0	10,814	(14.0)	23,394	69.2
C	Softwood Lumber - MBF	0	*	0	*	0	*	0	*
H	Hardwood Logs - MBF	0	*	6	*	0	*	9	*
I	Hardwood Lumber - MBF	160	217.6	211	124.9	92	70.4	146	92.1
N	Hardwood Veneer (MSF 1/8)	288	100.9	432	(62.5)	31	106.7	46	(64.6)
A	Particleboard (MSF 3/4)	12	90.9	18	(88.4)	6	100.0	10	(41.2)
	Other					44	131.6	63	(62.7)
	Subtotal					10,987	(13.3)	23,666	66.5
	Softwood Logs - MBF	850	(81.7)	5,496	53.5	729	(75.8)	3,742	88.0
T	Softwood Lumber - MBF	1,364	40.5	2,334	6.5	554	24.8	999	(14.6)
A	Hardwood Logs - MBF	1,347	20.3	2,466	31.0	1,368	(4.5)	2,800	22.5
I	Hardwood Lumber - MBF	6,181	26.4	11,070	22.4	4,367	26.4	7,821	16.3
W	Hardwood Veneer (MSF 1/8)	4,969	(22.8)	11,404	12.3	607	(23.9)	1,405	3.3
A	Particleboard (MSF 3/4)	1,227	16.3	2,283	(68.8)	431	31.0	760	(42.1)
N	Other					3,909	25.8	7,017	5.7
	Subtotal					11,965	(4.9)	24,543	14.3
A									
U	Softwood Logs - MBF	31	(23.1)	71	*	42	(4.5)	86	*
S	Softwood Lumber - MBF	5,658	(82.6)	38,142	13.5	2,903	(74.9)	14,475	(9.3)
T	Hardwood Logs - MBF	0	*	0	*	0	*	0	*
R	Hardwood Lumber - MBF	106	(49.9)	319	(61.1)	130	(55.3)	422	(53.0)
A	Hardwood Veneer (MSF 1/8)	1,055	*	1,082	19.5	135	*	146	(2.7)
L	Particleboard (MSF 3/4)	349	14.9	652	939.6	206	19.8	378	372.5
I	Other					1,035	(16.0)	2,267	20.5
A	Subtotal					4,451	(66.6)	17,773	(6.6)

Japanese Market Data

Imports -Thousand Cubic Meters	Jan.	% Change Month	YTD	% Change YTD	U.S. Import Market Share YTD (%)
Softwood Logs	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Softwood Lumber	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Hardwood Logs	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Hardwood Lumber	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

	Jan.	% Change Month	YTD	% Change YTD	Wooden Structures YTD %
Housing Starts-000	104.1	(26.6)	104.1	(4.2)	40.5

Source: Japan Wood Products Information & Research Center